

**THEATRE ROYAL.**  
On TUESDAY, April 3, will be performed,  
**THE MOUNTAINEERS.**  
By Mr. ELLISTON.  
On WEDNESDAY, the Favourite Comedy of  
**THE HEIR AT LAW.**  
By Mr. ELLISTON.  
On THURSDAY will be brought forward,  
**THE IRON CHEST.**  
By Mr. ELLISTON.  
On FRIDAY, the Favourite Comedy of  
**THE HEIR AT LAW.**  
By Mr. ELLISTON.

**DR. CHAPMAN.**  
HEREBY intimates, That he withdrew from the Copart-  
nership of ALEXANDER CHAPMAN and CO. upon  
the 30th day of July 1796.  
It is requested that all persons indebted to the Concern will  
make payment to John Watson, Merchant Street, who will  
discharge all debts due by the Company.  
Edin. March 31. 1798.

**SALE OF FASHIONABLE CLOTHS**  
**AT DUNDEE.**  
That upon Monday the 16th April instant, there will be SOLD,  
by public roup, within the Trades-hall of Dundee,  
A Large Quantity of BROAD and NARROW CLOTHS,  
of Fashionable Colours, lately imported from Hudders-  
field;—Also some SWANDOWNS.  
The goods will be put up in such lots as purchasers may in-  
cline. And credit will be given for all above 5l. upon security  
being granted.  
The roup will begin at eleven o'clock forenoon, and continue  
till all is sold off.  
Any person wishing to see the goods previous to the sale, may  
apply to John Ogilvie, writer, Dundee.  
Dundee. 2d April. 1798.

**GRASS PARKS OF TULLOCH, ROSS-SHIRE.**  
**TO BE LET.**  
By public roup at Tullloch, on Friday the 25th of May 1798,  
to Martinmas next,  
**THE WHOLE PARKS** on that farm, which are well  
watered and sheltered, and produce excellent pasture for  
horses and cattle. The roup to begin at twelve o'clock—  
at same time will be sold a few Milch Cows, of the Fifeshire breed.  
Roger, a beautiful bay horse, will cover mares at Kinnaidry,  
at 12s. per mare—money to be paid at the stable door.

**GRASS PARKS TO LET,**  
**AND**  
**CATTLE, HORSES, AND IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBAN-**  
**DRY FOR SALE.**  
To be Let at Pennycook, in the county of Edinburgh, on Fri-  
day the 6th of April next, at 11 o'clock,  
**SUNDRY FIELDS OF OLD GRASS** for grazing, from the  
day of let till the 1st day of December next. These fields  
are properly divided, fully sheltered with planting, and well  
supplied with water.  
At same time will be exposed to sale,  
A considerable quantity of Hay, several Cattle of different  
ages, some of which are fat—Sundry Work Horses and Young  
Horses—a four-wheeled Wagon—some Carts, Ploughs, and  
other Implements of Husbandry.

**A FARM TO LET, AND FARM STOCKING, &c.**  
**TO BE DISPOSED OF.**  
To be Let for 19 1/2 or 19 years, and entered to at Whitunday  
or Martinmas next,  
**THE FARM OF EASTFIELD**, part of the Estate of New-  
hall, lying in the parish of Crail, and county of Fife,  
consisting of 15 1/2 acres of excellent soil, almost all arable,  
highly improved, beautifully situated, and completely inclosed  
and subdivided by sufficiently fertile stone dykes, with grown  
up hedges.  
This Farm lies within one mile of the thriving village of  
Kingbarns, two miles of the sea port and royal burgh of Crail,  
and within six miles of the city of St. Andrew's; it is bounded  
on the west by the great Fife Road, from Kingbarns to the sea,  
on St. Andrew's and Dundee; and on the east by the German  
Ocean, upon the shores of which, belonging to the farm, there  
is abundance of growing and thrown in kelp; and lime and  
iron stone are found.  
There is a neat Farm Steading and Pigeon-house on the pre-  
mises; and as the present tenant gives up the possession merely  
because his residence and principal concerns lie in another coun-  
ty, the incoming tenant, if he chuses, may on very reasonable  
terms, have a great part of the stall, and all this year's Crop,  
with the draught horses, labouring utensils, and whole other  
stocking on the farm.  
The grieve will show the farm, crop, and stocking, and offers  
may be made to John Maffon writer, Castle-Street, Edinburgh.  
Those not accepted of to be concealed, if desired.

**VILLA OF ST CATHARINE'S TO LET.**  
**TO LET.**  
**THE HOUSE, LAWN, GARDEN, AND POLICY**  
of St CATHARINE'S, three miles from Edinburgh, parish  
of Liberton, on the road to Roslin, with Coach-house, Stable,  
and Hay-loft, Poultry-house and Green, Wash-house, and Dry-  
ing-green, Byre, and Pigeon-house above it; with Milk-house,  
Cellar, and other conveniences.  
The Lawn is 7 acres good old grass, and the Policy is fully 8  
acres, with an Ice-house. The Walks and Shrubbery are in  
good order, and the Garden is above one acre three quarters,  
with a Hot Wall 200 feet, and Hot House 50 feet in length,  
filled with Peaches, Nectarines, and Grapes, which produce  
large crops. The Garden walls are covered with Fruit Trees  
of all sorts, and there is a small Orchard at the head of the Gar-  
den; there is also a Porter's Lodge at the gate. In short, this  
is one of the most elegant, pleasant, and agreeable Villas in the  
country, and will be let for one year, or more, as parties can  
agree.—Entry at Whitunday first.  
Apply to Thomas Walker, merchant, Bernard Street, Leith,  
or Gilbert Elliot, servant at the farm, as to further particulars.  
Not to be repeated.

**SPILSBURY'S DROPS.**  
**TO Mrs SPILSBURY, Solo Square.**  
**MADAM,**  
It is with great gratitude and thankfulness I announce to you,  
that I have been cured of an inveterate Scurvy by the use  
of your excellent Drops, after having been afflicted 13 years,  
and despairing of ever being able to find any relief, as all the  
means I had used proved ineffectual. When I first commenced  
taking your invaluable medicine, I could scarce get my living;  
but after I had taken only one bottle, I found a considerable al-  
teration, which encouraged me to persevere; and, by the bless-  
ing of God, I am now restored to perfect health.  
Your most humble servant,  
**JOHN COLE,**  
August 16. 1797.  
No. 4. Brother's Buildings,  
Queen Anne Street, East.  
I believe the relation given by Mr. Cole of his cure to be  
strictly true. *George Cuffins*, No. 115, Wardour Street, Soho  
The Drops are sold at the Dispensary in Soho Square—and  
Mr. SCOTT, Apothecary, and South Bridge,  
Mr. J. BAXTER, Italian Warehouse, Edinburgh,  
Mr. KELTIE, Perfumer, New Town Edinburgh.  
Are appointed Wholesale Agents, where the inhabitants of  
Scotland, and the Venders of patent medicines may be suppli-  
ed on the same terms as at the Dispensary, Soho Square.  
These Drops may also be had in bottles of 12. 2s. and 5s.  
each, duty included, of  
Mr. John Buchanan, jun. Sun Fire Office, Glasgow.  
J. Menzies and J. Duncan, Mess. Morison & Son, Perth,  
Glasgow  
Mr. Thomson, Aberdeen  
Mr. Dickson, druggist, and  
Mr. Inglis, Dumfries  
Walker & Hodson, Newcastle  
Mr. Jollie, Carlisle  
Mr. James Paton, and  
Mr. P. Craigie, Montrose.  
Mr. Dempster, Cupat Eifer.  
Mr. Dick, Surgeon, Dundee  
Mr. Anderson, Strling  
Mr. Gray, merchant, Hawick

**INN TO LET.**  
To be Let for such a number of years as may be agreed upon,  
and entered to at the term of Whitunday first,  
**THAT Large and Well-known INN**, being the principal  
one in the town of South Queensferry, situated close by  
the head of the Pier, with the offices belonging thereto; all  
long possessed by the late David Douglas, and at present by  
Thomas Fairbairn.  
The premises have been lately put into a good state of  
repair, and consists of 12 fire rooms, with a number of conve-  
nient offices, &c. one small room, and a good kitchen, with  
commodious cellars, stables, byres, coach-house, hay-loft, pi-  
geon-house, small garden, draw-well, and every other accom-  
modation necessary to render a house of that magnitude con-  
venient.  
For particulars enquire at Mr. Brown, at the west entry to  
the house, or John Buchanan, writer to the Signet, James's Court,  
who is empowered to sell or let by private bargain.

**DEBTS TO BE SOLD.**  
To be exposed to public roup within John's Coffee-house on  
Wednesday the 25th April 1798, betwixt one and two  
afternoon  
**SUNDRY DEBTS**, due to the estate of George  
of Leathon, deceased, by William Inglis, late  
bank, now farmer and brewer at Carleton Place,  
five shillings in the pound of the principal.  
The conditions of the roup are to be  
W. S. St. James's Square, where propo-  
will be received.

**SALE OF LANDS IN STIRLINGSHIRE, &c.**  
On Wednesday the 25th of April 1798, between the hours of  
fix and seven in the evening, will be exposed to public Sale,  
within the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh,  
**PART OF THE LANDS AND ESTATE OF AIRTHREY**, lying  
within two miles of Stirling, containing 1695 acres 3  
roods 11 falls Scots measure, or thence, the present yearly rent  
of which, after all deduction, is 1161. 3s. 11d. 8-12ths Sterling.  
It is unnecessary to describe the particulars of this valuable es-  
tate, they have been formerly advertised, and are very generally  
known. It may with truth be observed, that a more beautiful  
has not been exposed to sale these many years. The new Man-  
sion, Offices, and Garden are extremely elegant and commodious,  
and the singular beauty of the Great Park around the house, is  
it is supposed, is not equalled, certainly not excelled, in Scotland.  
At the same time will be exposed, in two separate lots, the  
following Lands, lying contiguous to Airthrey, viz.  
I.—THE FARM OF CORNTOWN, consisting of 29 acres 2  
roods and 20 falls, or thence, the present yearly rent of which,  
after all deductions, is 531. 6s. 11d. 2-12ths Sterling.  
II.—THE FARM OF BLACKBUB, consisting of about 44  
acres—roods and 17 falls, the yearly rent of which, after all  
deduction, is 711. 9d. 9-12ths Sterling.  
A rental and plan of the above lands, and a plan of the man-  
sion-house, may be seen in the hands of Robert Haldane, Esq.  
the proprietor, at his house, No. 33. George Street, Edinburgh.  
The articles of sale, a copy of the rentals of the different lots,  
and the title-deeds, are in the hands of Mr. Duncan, W. S.  
N. B.—Sundry parcels of land formerly advertised, to be sold  
along with Airthrey, are not now to be sold.



# BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

## HOUSE OF LORDS.

MARCH 28.

SWISS.

The Earl of CAERLEIGH said, whatever might be the event of the struggle in which the Swiss were now engaged by the magnanimous and gallant conduct which they had maintained in resisting an unprovoked attack by the French Republic, they had done more than any other nation, England excepted, to put a stop to the torrent of French power and French principles which threatened to deluge Europe. The empty praise of their Lordships, or of the other House of Parliament, might be unavailing to support them in the struggle in which they were involved; yet to know that they had been honoured by the approbation of a British Parliament; to know that their generous defence of their independence had called forth the admiration of all Britain, ought to be some consolation to them in the worst fortunes to which they might be doomed. He hoped, therefore, that something would be suggested either now or on some other occasion, to enable the House regularly to express the sentiments which they entertained. He had no motion to make upon the subject at present; he only stated for the consideration of their Lordships that in what he had said he had only anticipated the feelings of every man in the House.

Lord GREVILLE said, if there were any regular mode of laying the subject before the House, no doubt could be entertained of the opinion they would pronounce. Perhaps, however, an opportunity might occur, in communications on the subject of the relations maintained with other countries in which this sentiment might be expressed. If any thing could add fortitude to the Swiss in their present arduous contest, it would be to know that the sympathy of every thing generous and liberal, of all who prized the blessings of freedom and independence, went with them in their exertions which they made. This subject came peculiarly home to Englishmen, because they saw the Swiss like themselves struggling in a cause for their liberties and their independence, for every thing which could be dear to individuals and to nations.

There being no question before the House, the conversation ended.

## DIVORCE.

The order of the day being read, The LORD CHANCELLOR rose to submit a few observations to their Lordships' consideration on the subject of the resolutions he, on a former day had had the honour of laying on their table, and would that night propose to be adopted by the House. He briefly recapitulated the points in the resolutions which have for their object to regulate and determine the mode in future to be practised in conducting acts for divorce. Evidence is to be given by the parties at their Lordships' bar, where they are to be examined if their Lordships think fit. Copies of the proceedings which may take place in Doctor's Commons are also to be required by their Lordships; and in general the spirit of the resolutions is, to prevent the collusion of parties, and bring forward every circumstance of evidence that may be connected with the case. He concluded with moving that the resolutions be agreed to.

The Bishop of ROCHESTER approved of the resolutions, and argued from them the most salutary reforms in the morals of the community.

Lord RADNOR approved of the resolutions in general, but considered that one of them, which required the personal attendance of parties to give evidence at their Lordships' bar, liable to occasion much inconvenience and injury to individuals.

Lord SYDNEY and some others followed on the same side, and agreed in opinion with the Noble Lord who had just sat down.

The LORD CHANCELLOR observed, that there was no question of making those regulations a law; their Lordships could not make them such. They merely meant to be a regulation of their own proceedings, and to form a standing order of the House; and if in any case it should be deemed expedient to dispense with that order, it was competent for any Noble Lord to make a motion to that effect, after having given two days notice of such his intention. This explanation would, he trusted, remove the objections that had by some Noble Lords been urged against the regulations.

The LORD CHANCELLOR then proceeded to read the regulations, and they were afterwards agreed to without any alteration.—Adjourned.

MARCH 29.

ADAMS V. CHARLES, MAITLAND, AND OTHERS.

Counsel were heard at some length on this appeal (which was from one of the courts below). After which their Lordships affirmed the decree.

## HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MARCH 29.

SHIP-OWNERS.

Mr HENRY LASCELLES moved, that the second reading of the bill for the relief of owners and masters of ships, which was ordered to be read on the 4th of April, be postponed to the 16th.

ALIENS.

The SOLICITOR GENERAL brought up a bill to explain and amend the Alien Act of the 23d Geo. III. By the provision of this new bill, no alien is to reside in this country who is unprovided with a licence—to obtain this licence, it is necessary that aliens should give in an account of their names, age, rank, and occupation—no person to entertain an alien without examining into his licence—the forgery of a licence to be a felony—no alien to leave this country without a passport, &c.

The bill was ordered to be read a second time.

## DEFENCE OF THE COUNTRY.

Mr DUNDAS rose to acquaint the House, that, in consequence of suggestions which had been made to him by the persons most interested in this bill, he thought it right to propose the delay of a day, in going into the Committee. Already he had, he hoped, fully shewn how desirous he was that the measure should be understood generally, and it was because he had indulged this wish, that he moved for the printing of the bill the day it was brought in. Thus must gentlemen have had early means of giving the measure that consideration which its importance demanded. With respect to the motion which stood for to-morrow (Mr Wilberforce on the slave trade), he had no doubt but the Hon. Gentleman who was to bring it forward would yield to the urgency and importance of the present measure, and consent to delay it till some early day in the next week.

Mr WILBERFORCE observed, that nothing but the importance of the present measure could have induced him to agree to the delay required by his Right Hon. Friend. He should therefore propose Tuesday next to bring on his motion, but would certainly not postpone it to a more distant period.

## REDEMPTION OF THE LAND TAX.

Mr PITT said, he should on Monday submit to the House certain propositions on a subject of great importance—the redemption of the land tax. It was not, however, his intention to do more on that day than merely proposing certain resolutions, the printing of which he should at the same time move for, and, in order that Gentlemen might have time fully to consider a measure so new and important, he should propose going into a Committee on Wednesday; thus must the report necessarily be taken into consideration on Thursday, it being the last day before the recess.

## London.

MARCH 30.

Wednesday, at the Levee, was presented to the King, Lord Eglington, from Scotland, by Sir A. Macdonald.

Yesterday the Queen held a drawing-room; the female presentations were Lady Elphinstone and her three daughters, by the Marchioness of Bute.

On Wednesday last came on the annual election of President of the Board of Agriculture, when an opposition was started against Sir John Sinclair, by a nomination of Lord Somerville, one of the sixteen Scotch Peers.—A ballot succeeded, and at the close, the numbers stood,

For Lord Somerville, 13  
Sir John Sinclair, 12

Majority in favour of Lord Somerville—1 whereupon his Lordship was declared by Arthur Young, Esq. the Secretary, to be duly elected.

There is a paper handing about in the higher circles, by which they are entering into a solemn engagement for the better observance of the Sabbath. It consists of six articles of self-denial, of the following tenor:

That they neither shall give nor partake of hot dinners upon the Sabbath.

That they neither shall give nor attend routes, assemblies, or concerts upon the Sabbath.

That they shall neither ride out nor travel on horseback nor in carriages upon the Sabbath.

That they shall exert themselves to suppress all manner of employment and worldly business upon the Sabbath.

That their servants shall not be suffered to go abroad on the Sabbath.

That they shall, with their households, begin and conclude the day with solemn prayer to the Almighty, and attend divine service at least twice in the course of the Sabbath.

This paper, which is now in circulation, has received the signatures of a great number of the Dignitaries of the Church, and a Committee is formed for devising the best means of making the religious observance of the Lord's Day general throughout the empire. Many propositions have been made towards this most serious end; the first of which, as it would obviously strike every observer of the manners of the lower classes, is to shut up all the public-houses, inns, and taverns throughout the kingdom; and secondly, to pass a bill for the tripling or quadrupling of all turnpikes on that solemn day, so as to make Sunday-journing too dear for the pockets of the people. Many other suggestions have been made; in which, however, all the learned Prelates are not agreed.

## NAUTICAL INTELLIGENCE.

This morning arrived a mail from Lisbon, brought to Falmouth by the Adolphus packet, Captain Crease, after a passage of 23 days. By this mail we learn that Earl St Vincent with his fleet had returned to Lisbon, where it was currently reported that the French troops were marching through Spain, to attack Portugal. All the Portuguese troops were therefore on their way to the frontiers, and the English merchants, it is added, in consequence of this intelligence were preparing to leave Lisbon.

Yesterday advices were received by Government of the general state of preparation in some of the ports of France for the expedition against England. Within the last fortnight, the preparations, both naval and military, are become more visible, and appear in some places in a great degree of forwardness.

The following is an extract of a letter received from an officer belonging to the Squadron of Sir Richard Strachan, off the mouth of the Seine:

Off Havre, March 25.

"There are four frigates and five corvettes in this port, the former of which and one of the latter are ready for sea. We boarded a neutral vessel yesterday, which informed us that most of the effective seamen at Havre were sent two days before overland to Brest, preparations are making for some immediate expedition. There are a great many flat-bottomed boats at Havre, that carry two heavy guns each, one in the bow, and the other in the stern. Twenty-two of them are now lying in the inner road, and when we stand in, we occasionally see the soldiers exercised in rowing and falling them. They are lugger-rigged, have from 30 to 40 oars, and carry from 70 to 80 men. We can count 14 more building upon the beach, which have been run up in a few days. All the vessels with which we have hitherto spoken agree in their accounts that it is the intention of the enemy to complete 100 of these boats.—It is now understood, from every intelligence that can be collected, that a general attack is intended by way of feint against England, in order to favour a real expedition against Ireland."

By the same advices we understand that the preparations in the port of Brest have been renewed with great vigour; nine sail of the line appear to be ready for sea, besides 13 frigates.

A few more straggling ships from Jamaica are stated to have come in; but no mention is yet made of the arrival of the body of the fleet.

The Channel fleet, under the command of Lord Bridport, will be completely equipped in the course of a few days; it is not intended, however, that it should put to sea till the equinox is past, that it may be ready to oppose the enemy's force, in a manner becoming the maritime flag of England.

Admiral Sir Horatio Nelson has received the command of a Squadron destined on an enterprise of peculiar importance, to which the gallantry of his nature is

particularly adapted; every British heart must join us in the wish, that its success may add to his well-earned laurels.

Lord Spencer has written a letter to the gentlemen at Lloyds, acquainting them, that he had ordered two frigates to sea, for the purpose of looking after the scattered ships of the homeward-bound Jamaica fleet, and affording such as they may fall in with every possible protection.

Post Captains of the navy, to whom the command of the Sea Fencibles has been entrusted by the Board of Admiralty, viz.

Capt. Popham, Capt. Elias Harvey,  
G. Berkeley, T. Hamilton,  
Walter Locke, W. Edge.

And, subordinately, six masters commanders are employed under them.—The plan was proposed by Captain Popham.

The ships which Mr Meltears has contracted to build for the East India Company are to go six voyages.—Mr Meltears is said to have refused 10,000l. for his contract with the Company.

Letters from Jersey and Guernsey state, that accounts had been received there of certain French troops having refused to embark in the expedition against England till their arrears were paid.

Augustus Newman, alias Mollitor, a French emigrant, who was ordered to leave this kingdom about three years since, under the alias act, was brought before Mr Justice Ford, by Mr Higgins, one of the treasury messengers and charged with having returned to England contrary to law. Mr Ford conceiving the charge made out, committed the prisoner for trial at the next Old Bailey Sessions. Should a conviction take place, he will be transported for life. This is the first charge of the kind that has been preferred under the alien act.

The benefit given on Thursday by the Opera-house to the subscription at the Bank produced nearly 10000l.

An unfortunate old man, dressed in a threadbare coat of black velvet, worked stockings, and black pantaloons, was lately seen at Paris walking about the streets with three labels sewed to his back, breast, and hat, with the following inscriptions:—"I possess an annuity of ten thousand livres."—"I am not paid."—"I demand support, and am eighty years old." Such wandering caricatures bear witness of French justice.

The wings of the ladies are to be all blown into oblivion by the first warm breeze of the approaching spring.

## DEFENCE OF THE COUNTRY.

### A BILL.

To enable his Majesty more effectually to provide for the defence and security of the realm; and for indemnifying persons who may suffer in their property by such measures as may be necessary for that purpose.

Whereas it is expedient that his Majesty should be enabled to exercise, in the most effectual manner, the powers by law vested in him for preventing and repelling an invasion of this kingdom by his Majesty's enemies; and that for such purpose, provisions should be made to enforce prompt obedience to such orders as his Majesty shall think fit to issue for procuring the information necessary to the effectual exercise of such powers, upon any emergency; and for applying, in the most expeditious manner, and with the greatest effect, the voluntary services of his loyal subjects for the defence of the kingdom; and also to enable his Majesty to procure ground, which may be wanted for erecting batteries, beacons, and other works, which may be deemed necessary for the public service; and also to provide for the indemnity (in certain cases) of persons who may suffer in their property by measures which may be taken for the defence and security of the country, and annoyance of the enemy.

Be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, that the Lieutenants of the several counties, ridings, and places within that part of Great Britain called England, and of the several counties, stewartries, cities, and places of that part of Great Britain called Scotland, and their Deputy Lieutenants, or such of them as his Majesty shall direct, and the Deputy Lieutenants acting as Lieutenants under the laws now in force, shall respectively, in obedience and conformity to such orders as his Majesty shall think fit to issue for that purpose, procure returns of the numbers of men residing within the several counties, ridings, stewartries, and places aforesaid, who shall be of the age of years, and under the age of years (excepting Clergymen of the churches of England and Scotland, licensed Teachers of dissenting congregations, the great Officers of State, his Majesty's Judges, and persons actually serving in the army, navy, or militia) with their respective names, degrees, stations in life, business, and employment, distinguishing which of them are by reason of infirmity incapable of active service, or are entitled to any exemption from service, with the ground for such exemption, and which of them are engaged in any volunteer corps, and what corps, and which of them are willing to engage themselves, in case of an invasion of this kingdom, or imminent danger thereof, to be armed, arrayed, trained, and exercised for the defence of the kingdom, and upon what terms; and which of them are willing to engage in cases of emergency, either gratuitously or for hire, as drivers of carriages, of horses, or drivers of waggons, carts, or cattle, or as pioneers or other labourers for any works or labour which may be necessary for the public service; and also distinguishing all aliens and Quakers, and with such other particulars as his Majesty shall think fit to require, and as may best enable his Majesty, and the Lieutenants and Deputy Lieutenants, or such of them as shall be commissioned for such purposes, and his Majesty's General Officers in their respective districts, and other persons acting under his Majesty's authority, to judge in what manner such volunteers respectively, and such other men fit for service in case of necessity, can be most advantageously employed for the defence and security of the kingdom, or for any purposes relative thereto, which emergencies may require; and also to procure returns of the numbers of males under the age of years, and above the age of years, and of all other males not included in the other returns herein before mentioned, and of the numbers of females residing within the several counties, ridings, stewartries, cities, and places aforesaid; and which of such males and females, by reason of infancy, age, or infirmity, or for other cause, may probably be incapable of removing themselves in case of danger; and also for procuring returns of all waggons, carts, horses, and other cattle and sheep, and of all hay, straw, corn, meal, flour, and other provisions, and of all mills and ovens, and all other matters and things which may be useful to an enemy, or for the public service, within the said counties, ridings, stewartries, cities, and places respectively; and which of such waggons, carts, and horses, the owners thereof are willing to furnish in case of emergency, for the public service, either gratuitously or for hire, and with what number of drivers and other necessary attendance, and upon what terms and conditions, and of all such other particulars as his Majesty shall require, for the purpose of enabling his Majesty, and the persons acting under his Majesty's authority, to give such orders as may be necessary for the removal, in case of danger, of such persons as shall be incapable of removing themselves, and for the removal of all waggons, carts, horses, cattle, sheep, hay, straw, corn, meal, flour, and other provisions, matters, and things aforesaid, or for the employment thereof in his Majesty's service, or otherwise, as the exigency of the case shall require, and generally to give such directions touching such matters respectively, as may be deemed most likely to defeat the views of the enemy, and most advantageous to the public service.

And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for his Majesty, by and with the advice of his Privy Council, to order and require, from time to time, as his Majesty shall see occasion, the Lieutenants, and Deputy Lieutenants acting as Lieutenants aforesaid, to appoint proper officers to be ready for arming, training, exercising, and commanding such men as shall be willing to engage themselves to be armed, trained, and exercised as aforesaid; and also proper persons, to be in like manner ready in case of need, for superintending, and directing the execution of the several other duties which may be necessary to be done for the several purposes herein before mentioned, and officers and other persons to be appointed in such numbers, fit to order and direct; and such Lieutenants, and Deputy Lieutenants acting as Lieutenants aforesaid, shall first signify to his Majesty the names and ranks of all officers fit to be appointed, and the purposes for which they are fit to be appointed, and by general orders for that purpose, either special or general, to authorize and require the Lieutenants and Deputy Lieutenants aforesaid to hold general subdivision meetings, within their respective counties, ridings, stewartries, cities, and places, as his Majesty shall think fit, and as shall be necessary for the execution of the several purposes herein before mentioned, and the attendance of the clerks of the peace, within their respective counties, ridings, stewartries, cities, and places, and of all other persons whose assistance shall be necessary for carrying into execution this act, in such and the same manner, and with the same powers and authorities, as by several acts now in force concerning the militia forces of this kingdom is provided, with respect to such militia forces, as the provisions in such acts respectively are applicable to the purposes of this act.

And be it further enacted, That the said Lieutenants, and Deputy Lieutenants, and the Deputy Lieutenants acting as Lieutenants aforesaid, shall, for the purposes of this act, have the like powers and authorities, as shall be required by his Majesty to be done, by them respectively, in the execution of this act, as they respectively shall think fit, by any act now in force concerning the militia forces of this kingdom.

And be it further enacted, That all Lieutenants, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and other officers, and all other persons, shall obey such orders as they shall respectively receive under the authority of this act, and the several provisions herein contained; and that all persons who shall disobey such orders, shall be liable to be punished as the laws in that behalf made shall require.

And be it further enacted, That the Lieutenants, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and other officers, shall make such returns respectively to the said Deputy Lieutenants acting as Lieutenants aforesaid, according to the warrants which shall be issued for such purposes, and shall verify the same upon oath before such Deputy Lieutenants.

And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for his Majesty, in case of actual invasion of this kingdom, or if his Majesty shall see special cause to apprehend that such invasion is actually attempted by the enemy, to authorize and require the said Lieutenants and Deputy Lieutenants, or any of them in any emergency, and on the requisition of such General Officers commanding within the district respectively, or of such other persons as his Majesty shall specially empower to that effect, to give all such orders as shall be necessary for the removal of any waggons, carts, or other carriages, cattle, sheep, hay, straw, corn, meal, flower, or provisions of kind, or any other things which may be of advantage to an enemy, or useful for the public service, and to take the same if necessary, for the public service; and also to give such orders as shall be necessary for the removal of the inhabitants of houses, hamlets, districts, or place, or any of them, and especially such as by reason of infancy, age, or infirmity, or other cause shall be incapable of removing themselves in case of danger, also to destroy, in case of necessity, any waggons, carts, or other carriages, horses, cattle, sheep, hay, straw, corn, meal, flour, provisions of any kind, or any thing which may be of advantage to an enemy; and to take away the stones from mill, or otherwise to disable the same; and to remove or destroy any blacksmith's forge or utensils, and the utensils of other artificers, or any other things which may be useful to an enemy, or which it may be necessary or advantageous to destroy for the public service, and generally to do and execute the premises as the public service and exigencies of particular cases shall require.

And be it further enacted, That if the commanding officer of any corps or company of volunteers, who shall be appointed under the authority of this act, or who has been or shall be appointed under the authority of the said act of the thirty-first year of his Majesty's reign, shall return any person or persons as serving in such corps or company for the purpose of receiving any pay, who shall not actually have appeared and done duty as a volunteer or volunteers, according to such return; or any such officer shall make any false return of such corps or company, with intent to defraud his Majesty, every such officer on conviction of such offence before any Justice of the Peace for the county, riding, stewartry, city, or place where the offence shall be committed, on the corpus company at the time of his conviction shall be liable to be punished as follows, to-wit: That he shall be liable to be punished with imprisonment for the term of years, or with a fine not exceeding the sum to be levied by distress and sale of the offender's goods, in the manner herein before directed with respect to the penalty before imposed, and for want of sufficient distress, such Justice is hereby required to commit such offender to the common goal of the county, riding, or place where his conviction shall be had, for any time not exceeding

And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for his Majesty to authorize any general officer or officers, or other person or persons commissioned for such purpose, to survey and mark out any piece of ground wanted for the public service, and to treat and agree with the owner or owners thereof, or any person or persons having any interest therein, for the purchase or hire thereof, or for the use thereof, for any purpose of defence, or other purpose which the exigency of the service shall require; and in case the owner or owners of any land, ground, or any person or persons having any interest therein, shall refuse or decline to enter into contract touching the same, or shall be unable to do so by reason of infancy, coverture, or other disability, it shall be lawful for the person or persons authorized by his Majesty to require

Justices of the Peace, or Deputy Lieutenants for the county, riding, stewartry, city, or place where such piece of ground shall be, to put his Majesty's officers into immediate possession of such piece of ground, such Justices or Deputy Lieutenants shall accordingly do, and shall for that purpose issue a warrant under their hands and seals, commanding possession to be delivered, and shall also issue their warrants to a Justice of the Peace to ascertain the value of such piece of ground, and of compensation which ought to be made for the same to the several persons interested therein, and to whom the same ought to be paid, the verdict of which Jury shall be recorded by the Justices or Deputy Lieutenants, and certified by them to the Receivers General of the Land-tax of the county, riding, stewartry, city, or place where such lands shall lie; which Receivers General shall, out of any money in his hands, pay the compensation to such person or persons, in such manner, and for such purposes, as by such verdict shall be directed.—Provided always, That no such piece of ground shall be so taken for the public service without the consent of the owner or owners thereof, unless the necessity for the same shall be first certified by the Lord Lieutenant, or of the Deputy Lieutenants of the county, riding, stewartry, city, or place, in which such land shall lie, or unless the enemy shall have actually invaded the kingdom at the time when such piece of ground shall be taken.

And be it further enacted, That when it shall be necessary to take, for the public service, remove, or destroy any waggons, carts, or other carriages, horses, cattle, sheep, hay, straw, corn, meal, flour, or other provisions; or any other articles whatsoever, or to destroy or injure any house, mill, or other building, or any place of manufacture, or any matter or thing of value, or under the directions aforesaid, it shall be lawful for his Majesty to appoint persons to enquire of the value of such articles, or the compensation which ought to be made for the same, by purchase or hire, or recompense for damage or otherwise.







## HOUSE OF LORDS.

MARCH 26.

## AFFAIRS OF IRELAND.

The Earl of Moira (observing a Noble Lord to whom he alluded on a former evening in his place), rose in pursuance of what he had then said. But previously he would observe, that he had voluntarily abstained from attending the House on Thursday last: Though he might generally agree with the Noble Duke who brought forward a proposition that night, as to the source of the calamities in which the country was involved, yet on particular points he might feel a difference of opinion.

He had been in Ireland for the express purpose of ascertaining those facts which he had formerly detailed, of bringing forward the subject in a place where those who heard him, from their local situation, must be supposed to be the most competent judges.—He offered his documents, and was ready, if permitted, to bring forward the deponents to the bar of that House to substantiate them.—After all this trouble—after coming forward in that decided manner, and solemnly pledging himself as to the result, he did not expect that the facts he had advanced would be called in doubt in the manner they lately appeared to be in their Lordships House.—He begged that Noble Lords would do him the justice to recollect what it was he had asserted on a former occasion.—He had asserted, that in Ireland, the lights were ordered to be extinguished at a certain hour; and that such order was enforced with severity—this he had exemplified in a particular instance, and he might have stated many others; he had asserted, that tortures were used to procure confessions, or rather, to extort charges from the sufferers, against other persons; that houses had been burned wantonly in numerous instances—these facts he had also asserted in Ireland, in a place where they might be contradicted with effect; and he had at least one hundred affidavits ready to produce in proof, and the deponents in waiting for purposes of illustration.

Latterly, however, and in the present exasperated state of the public mind in that country, he had rather wished to abstain from further agitation of the subject; this (we understood the Noble Lord to say) was his motive for not coming forward as far as that part of the subject applied, on a late debate. Neither was it his intention at that moment to enter into the details of the subject, except compelled by the answer of the Noble Marquis to do so in his own vindication, in reply.—He intended to put the documents he had referred to, into the hands of the Noble Lord on the woolsack, where they might remain as vouchers for the truth of his statements. At the same time, he wished to have this material point impressed on their Lordships minds, namely, in the present state of the public passions, the impropriety of any Peers coming forward on loose and doubtful grounds to question the veracity of another Lord's statements, after he had solemnly pledged his personal credit on the truth of them.—He concluded by repeating that he understood a Noble Peer then near him, had thrown out some observations tending to controvert what he had solemnly asserted, and in such a way, it appeared as if he had it in his power completely to refute it. He had been of course obliged to notice this on the earliest opportunity, but desisted from going further into the subject until he saw him in his place; being then present, he thought it incumbent upon that Noble Lord to come forward and speak explicitly upon the subject.

The Earl of Hillsborough (Marquis of Downshire in Ireland), feeling himself called upon, rose.—He avowed his readiness to meet the Noble Earl fully upon the subject in question; and would stake his credit upon the issue of the discussion; he would then repeat the tenor of what he advanced on a former night; which in the first instance was, that whatever casual excesses might have been committed by the army in Ireland, they were never performed by the order of Government, nor did the latter afford its sanction to them in any shape whatever. The Noble Earl (who deservedly stood high in his opinion, as well as in that of the Public), must know from personal experience, the difficulty of controlling the excesses of an army in all its operations; and the extreme unfairness of criminating or making its commanders responsible for every one of those. His Lordship had been honourably employed in America during the last war, and he must recollect what was then the language of Opposition, and of the Opposition Prints, even of his own conduct and of the army he commanded.—Was the army accused, in the way he alluded to, no doubt groundlessly, with commission of excesses and the infliction of cruelties?—Could the Noble Earl forget the language of the then Opposition respecting the execution of an American field officer (Colonel Haynes)?—These recollections would bring to his Lordship's mind what might be said (and without foundation) of the operations of an army, and the conduct of its commanders. He felt himself called upon in a late debate, to come forward, as he had done, by a Noble Lord's asking with earnestness, Could any Noble Lord lay his hand upon his heart and say, that he thought coercive measures necessary in the present situation of Ireland? He felt himself then called upon, and asserted most sincerely in the affirmative—the situation of that country he knew to be unhappily such as to render measures rather of a coercive nature necessary: he repaired purposely to that kingdom to ascertain the fact, to be convinced from personal experience; he resided more than nine months in a part of the country which was in the greatest state of disturbance. He had assisted in endeavouring to quell them. He acknowledged, and would never hesitate to acknowledge, that he was one of the first who strongly recommended the Government of Ireland to proclaim the county of Down, and the beneficial consequences of the measure were immediately felt. He was always one of the first to oppose the principles and proceedings of the United Irishmen. His Lordship spoke of their pretext of Parliamentary Reform with a mixture of indignation and ridicule. He never knew (so we understood his Lordship) any sensible enlightened man, and of respectability, of the Roman Catholic persuasion, with whom he had conversed, with for what is called "Catholic Emancipation," nor any person of any other description, so gifted—an advocate for what was understood by "Radical Reform." The Noble

Lord had spoken of the Curfew, as if it was generally enforced throughout the kingdom of Ireland. That was not the case. The measure was confined to particular districts. The proclamations were not, as it had been said, to subject particular parts of the country to tyranny and disgrace!—No—they were to protect his Majesty's liege subjects in their persons and properties, and were intended as the means of rescuing Ireland from being a province of France. The port of Belfast, which was the soul of the commerce of the north, instead of declining in its commerce in that very great and almost destructive degree, as described by the Noble Earl, had fallen comparatively, very little short of its produce in the most prosperous years. Taking its Customs and Excise together (we understood the Noble Marquis to state) that the fall from the highest to the lowest year of produce, was no more than from 101,000l. to 70,000l. Belfast and Cork were the only ports that suffered a defalcation in their customs; but, on the other hand, the produce of the Customs in the ports of Dublin, Limerick, Newry, and Waterford, had considerably increased. The tonnage of the shipping employed by the country had increased from the year 1790 to 1797, upwards of 70,000 tons. So much in refutation of the Noble Earl's description of the trade of Ireland. Recurring to the main subject, his Lordship continued, he agreed that the misbehaviour of the military was greater than any wellwisher to both countries could be inclined to approve. But he was convinced that such conduct had not the approbation nor the countenance of Government. He had assisted that respectable officer General Lake, in many of his operations in the north; and, a man of greater honour, coolness, or intrepidity, nor a steadier officer, did he ever know. That General was perfectly well acquainted not only with every part of the north of Ireland, but with the wishes and temper of its inhabitants, and his measures were uniformly dictated by those considerations. His Lordship disclaimed upon the arduous situations in which soldiers were frequently placed—they were but men, they had their passions and feelings, they were alive to the distinctions of country, and felt for the honour of their Sovereign. Some parts of the conduct of certain corps, in another point of view, he must ever regret, in suffering themselves to be supinely practised on. It appeared, that money had been given, and their minds misled by pamphlets, handbills, and the like. The Noble Earl might talk of affidavits—for one affidavit of the description of these alluded to by him, he could produce twenty of the misbehaviour of the people of Ireland. He had been himself frequently the object of their unprovoked outrage, and he instanced the case of a man who was clearly convicted of conspiring against his life. This person had been adjudged to transportation. He had in numerous instances received threatening letters; as to what might have been directed against himself, he expected it from such persons, as one who dared to come forward and assist Government in its efforts to protect the lives and properties of his Majesty's subjects in that country.

The Earl of Moira in reply observed, that with respect to the Noble Lord's explanation relative to the necessity of coercive measures, much would depend upon what was understood by a system of coercion. If the system which was adopted in the Low Countries during their revolt from—here his Lordship was interrupted by

The Earl of Carnarvon, who spoke to order.—He requested their Lordships would consider the extreme delicacy of the subject they were about to enter upon, and which delicacy was adverted to in the beginning of the Noble Earl's own speech; he seemed also to think that the Noble Marquis had gone into it rather too fully.

The Earl of Moira contended, that in this explanation he had not exceeded the bounds he first professed to himself; he was well aware that any Peer could introduce all he wished to say upon a subject, while professing to speak only to a particular part of it. It was a species of artifice which he disdained; and to prove this, he would then content himself with putting into the Noble and learned Lord's hands the documents he had spoken of. He had only one observation to make upon them—that they did not relate to any casual or accidental excesses of the troops, respecting which Government could not fairly be blamed; they were of a different description; one particularly related to—here his Lordship was stopped by

Earl STRANGE (Duke of Athol) who spoke to order. He observed that the Noble Earl was obviously entering upon a detailed discussion of this subject, topics which every Noble Lord must feel the impropriety of then investigating; He wished their Lordships to recollect, that there was no question before the House.—He disapproved in the same view, of much of what fell from the Noble Marquis, and had once or twice intended to speak to order. He then moved, "That the House do adjourn."

The Earl of CARLISLE, in a very faint voice, made a few observations upon a point of order. With respect to the delivering of the Noble Earl's documents into the hands of the Learned Lord on the Woolsack, it was obviously irregular during the sitting of the House; in which case the regular modes were, first to move that the papers be laid upon the table; and, secondly, to read them as part of a speech.

The Earl of Moira, in explanation, seemed to disapprove of the proceeding of laying the documents upon the table. He had, he observed, offered them in a quarter where they might be regularly contradicted.

Lord GREVILLE said a few words upon the point of order, and concurred with the two Noble Lords who had spoken upon that head, in deprecating the farther discussion of the subject—and at six o'clock their Lordships adjourned till to-morrow.

## FAIRS IN SCOTLAND IN APRIL.

Day.	Day.	Day.	Day.
Anstruther Easter 17	Forrofe 4	Newton Douglas 11	
Auchtermuchty 17	Inverness 5	New Galloway 18	
Bathgate 11	Ladykirk 23	Old Aberdeen 18	
Bohagates 24	Letham 11	Old Deer 24	
Cupar Angus 5	Leuchars 5	Perth 26	
Cupar Fife 18	Lanark 11	Selkirk 26	
Cumbernauld 18	Langholm 16	Saline 18	
Dunbarton 5	Laurencekirk 26	St Andrews 18	
Dunfermline 25	Leven 23	Tarbrax 19	
Edinburgh 13	Linlithgow 20	Turriff 24	
Elgin 5	Melrose 3	Wick 24	
Falkland 26	New Deer 17	Wigton 16	

## HAIR POWDER TAX.

STAMP OFFICE, EDINBURGH, MARCH 28, 1798.  
THE HEAD DISTRIBUTOR of his Majesty's Stamp Duties in North Britain, in pursuance of "An Act for granting to his Majesty a duty on Certificates issued for using Hair Powder," hereby gives notice to every person using or wearing Hair Powder, That they will receive Certificates for the ensuing year from 5th April 1798 to 5th April 1799, at the following places, viz.

HEAD OFFICE AT EDINBURGH.	
1 Aberdeen	John Low
Banff	Thomas Ogilvie
Stonehaven	John Simpson
Old Meldrum	Walter Nicol
Huntly	John Dallachy
Peterhead	John Wallace
Fraserburgh	James Adam
Turriff	John Barclay
2 Tain	Patrick Hay
Dingwall	Walter Ross
Cromarty	John Montgomery
Milnerton	Bernard Williamson
Forrofe	James Chalmers
3 Perth	John Walker
Alyth	John Souter
Blairgowrie	Alex. Malletton
Culrofs	James Inchee
Dunkeld	John Robb
Dumblane	John Gibson
Doune	William Mair
Longforgan	P. Gordon
Garmore	W. M. Farlane
Errol	Eben. Mackillop
Abernyte	Mrs. McIntyre
Kennmore	John Dewar
Killin	R. Rentoul
Kincaidine	James Glas
Crieff	Gibb. Macewan
Callander	Hay Donaldson
4 Haddington	Thomas Diddop
Dunbar	David Aitken
Tranent	Robert Paterson
Gifford	James Yorkston
North Berwick	John Begbie
Stenton	Alex. Brown
Linton	David Thomson
Prethonsans	George Tod
Ormiston	Collin Gillies
5 Brechin	The Glasgow
6 Inverness	Duncan M. Intyre jun
Fort William	Edu. Hall
Inverary	Walter Clark
Lochgilphead	John Bayne
Oban	John Hamilton
8 Ayr	Rob. Todd, jun.
Irvine	A. Cunningham
Kilmarnock	J. Wilson, furgoon
Salcoats	J. Wilson, printer
Maybole	Dan. Dow
Girvan	J. Niven & Son
Ballastra	W. Brown & Co.
Beith	J. M. Whitter
Stewarton	William Dunn
Mauchline	And. Brown
Dalmellington	W. Miller
Ochiltree	W. Sloo
Cummock	David Kirkland
9 Nairn	James Kirkland
Forres	Alexander Hey
Elgin	Thos. Eddie & Son
10 Lerwick, Zeland	Isaac Forsyth
11 Peebles	F. Heddle
Selkirk	W. Laidlaw
Galashiels	And. Henderson
12 Dornock	William Craig
13 Cupar Fife	Hugh Leslie
Dunfermline	J. Lunfaine
Inverkeithing	Charles Hunt
Burntisland	Hen. Arnott
Kinghorn	D. Knox, jun.
Kirkcaldy	David Greig
Leven	John Ford
Andruther	Helen Scott
St Andrews	William Cockburn
Falkland	Alexander Fraser
Ely	Thos. Kennedy
Kinross	Thos. Archibald
14 Cambeltown	Geo. Peat
15 Glasgow	D.M. Callum
Lanark	W. Mare
Hamilton	R. Newbigging
Paisley	William Hamilton
Greenock	James Orr
Port Glasgow	Robert Barr
Dumbarton	J. King
Rothsday, Bute	J. M. Aulay
16 Forfar	J. Blain
Dundee	Peter Rankin
Cupar Angus	William Scott
Kirkcubright	David Blair
17 Kirkcubright	Ja. Sheppard
18 Dundee	J. Riddoch
19 Dundee	Donald Robison
Sanguhar	John Syme
Moffat	Edw. Whigham
Lockerby	Alexander Craig
Ecclefechan	James Dallas
Langholm	John Kerr
Annand	John Graham
Castle Douglas	John Forrest
Kirkcudbright	G. Cameron
Gatehouse	William Lennox
Newton Douglas	Anth. M'Nish
Stranraer	Ja. Carfor
Portpatrick	R. Bryce & P. Taylor
Whithorn	John Wallace
Wigton	Ja. McMillan
20 Linkilgow	Alex. Brunton
Queensterry	J. Taylor
Borrowstouness	Ro. Murray
Bathgate	R. Rymor
21 Montrose	H. Mochrie
Arbroath	Chs. Thomson
Bervie	John Colvill
Laurencekirk	Geo. Hudson
22 Jedburgh	John Scott
Kello	Thos. Wang
Melrose	Geo. Elliot
Hawick	John Mercer
23 Stirling	James Inglis
Alloa	Thos. W. Ingalls
Falkirk	John Sharp
24 Dunfermline	Alex. Dickson
Lauder	James Home
Eyemouth	Ro. Romanes
Coldstream	And. Edgar
Greenlaw	William Air
	Peter Hogg

At all which places the persons applying for the said Certificates will be furnished, gratis, with the printed form of the entry required by the act, to be filled up in writing, and delivered in previously to the issuing of the said Certificate.

And to prevent mistakes, the public are hereby apprized, that a duty of One Pound One Shilling only is to be paid for each Certificate, which sum will be expressed by a stamp on the same; and that no more is to be demanded of any person upon taking out a Certificate for using or wearing Hair Powder upon any married daughters in a family, in which case a double certificate is required to be taken out by the father or mother for such unmarried daughters.

Daily attendance will be given at the above Offices for one calendar month, from Monday the 2d April next, for ten o'clock forenoon till three afternoon, Saturdays excepted.

ALEX. MENZIES, Head Distributor, N. Britain. *Notice.*—Every person using Hair Powder, without taking out a Certificate, forfeits Twenty Pounds. Several persons have already been found liable in penalties for offences committed since 5th April 1797. Some prosecutions commenced are still in dependence, and other prosecutions are about to be commenced in consequence of informations received by the Solicitor.

## SALE OF CATTLE.

AT KINGSBARN, EAST OF FIFE.  
To be sold by public roup, on the farm of William Leslie, tenant in Kingsbarn, on Tuesday the 10th of April inst. SEVENTEEN BLACK CATTLE. The roup to begin at twelve o'clock noon. Not to be repeated.

## LANDS OF HYNDHOPE.

To be sold by Private Bargain.  
THE LANDS OF HYNDHOPE, lying in the parish of Yarrow and thire of Selkirk. These lands are delightfully situated on the banks of Ettrick, and there are several charming situations on them either for a mansion-house or farm-dealing. They are well known to be a most capital sheep farm, capable of great improvements. The purchaser may enter into full possession at Whitfunday first.

They afford a Freehold Qualification for the thire of Selkirk. For particulars apply to Mr John Laing writer, Selkirk;—Mr A. Cunningham, No. 37, George Street, Edinburgh, or James Gibson, W. S. who will shew the title deeds and articles of sale.

If the lands are not sold within three weeks from this date, they will be LET upon tack for such number of years as shall be agreed upon from Whitfunday next. March 29.

LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF PERTH.  
To be sold by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 4th of July next, at seven o'clock evening.

THE LANDS AND ESTATE OF LAURESTON, and MILN and MILN LANDS OF TROFTICK, lying in the parish of Longforgan, and thire of Perth, about eight miles west from Dundee, and thire from Polgavie, a shipping port in the Carle of Gowrie.

The lands consist of 300 acres or thereby, of which nearly 80 are under planting, chiefly above twenty-one years old, in the most thriving condition. This property commands an agreeable view of the river Tay.

The lands hold of subject superiors, for payment of very trifling feu-duties.

There is a good mansion-house on Laureston, and a garden, consisting of about three-fourths of an acre, inclosed with high walls, covered on both sides with fruit trees of the best kinds. The stables and office-houses are in good repair, and there is an excellent stone quarry on the estate.

The lands of Laureston having been in the natural possession of the proprietor for several years, are in a high state of cultivation.—The Mills and Mill Lands of Troftick, with some acres of Laureston attached to it, are let to a tenant, whose lease expires at Martinmas 1799, when a very considerable rise of rent may be expected.

The tithes of Laureston were valued in the year 1779, previous to the improvements having been made.

For further particulars apply to Mr Thomas Mawer, writer in Dundee, or James Campbell, writer to the signet, who will shew the title deeds, plan, and rental of the estate, with the articles.

The premises will be shewn by Mr Ebenezer McKillop, schoolmaster in Aberystwy, near Laureston.

LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF DUMFRIES.  
To be sold by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, in Edinburgh, between the hours of six and eight afternoon, on Wednesday the 16th May next.

THE FOLLOWING LANDS AND ESTATES:

I. THE ESTATE OF GRATINAY, with the Teinds, lying in the parish of Gratinay, and county of Dumfries, consisting of about 800 Scots acres. The present rent is 491l. and by the rise upon one farm, the rent after Martinmas next will be 501l. 8s. exclusive of the Salmon Fishing. This estate holds of the Crown, and being valued in the cess books at 200 merks, affords an undoubted Freehold Qualification.

The great roads from Portpatrick to London, and from Glasgow to London, run through the lands, and join at the well-known village of Gratinay Green in the heart of the estate. The lands and sea-port of Highford, at the mouth of the river Sark, on the Solway Frith, are part of the estate, and the proprietor has there a right of salmon fishing. This estate is now wholly inclosed and subdivided, and the fences in very complete order, and there are remarkably good farm houses on the different farms. But the principal farms of the estate were let in the 1784, upon leases for 21 years, before these improvements took place, without any progressive rent, and being possessed by opulent and skilful tenants, upon the expiration of the present leases a very great additional rent may be expected. The mansion house of this estate is at present possessed as an inn, but being large, and having been lately thoroughly repaired, is well suited for the accommodation of a genteel family, having good offices, a garden, and orchard, and being surrounded by a considerable quantity of full grown trees.

II. The Lands and Estate of REIDHALL & CALVERTS. HOLM, with the teinds thereof, lying in the parish of Kirkpatrick Fleming, consisting of nearly 900 Scots acres, of which 20 acres are in thriving plantations. The great roads from Glasgow to Carlisle run through these lands. They were in general let for 21 years from Candlemas 1793 upon improving leases. The present rent is 308l. 17s. 6d. which rises progressively to 364l. 17s. 6d. The farms are well inclosed with thriving hedges, and having commodious substantial farm houses, at the end of the current leases a great rise of rent may be expected without any charge to the landlord. There is no stipend at present payable out of these lands. They hold of the Crown, and being valued in the cess books along with other lands, it is supposed they will afford a Freehold Qualification. The vice Patronage of the parish of Kirkpatrick Fleming will be sold along with these lands; and as this estate marches with the estate of Gratinay, they will be sold either together or in separate lots, as purchasers shall incline.

III. The Seven Merks Land of old extent of FLEEMING, with the teinds of the same, lying in the said parish of Kirkpatrick Fleming, and county of Dumfries, consisting of 339 Scots acres. Most of these lands are let upon improving leases for 21 years from Candlemas 1793. The present rent is 143l. 2s. 6d. which rises progressively in a few years to 168l. 12s. 6d. The farms are inclosed, and partly subdivided with thriving hedges. The turnpike road from Glasgow to Carlisle passes through these lands, and they are only three miles distant from Gratinay. They hold of the Crown, and are valued separately in the cess books at 270 merks. There is no stipend at present payable out of these lands.

IV. The Lands of HAIRGILLS and DODDEND, in the parish of Hoddam. They consist of 252 Scots acres, and are let upon improving lease for 20 years from Candlemas 1794.—The present rent is 83l. which rises progressively to 95l. The lands are completely inclosed with a stone dyke, which, with the farm house, is very substantial. They are valued in the cess books at 150 merks, and hold of a subject superior.

V. The Lands of MINSKA and RISPILL, lying in the parish of Middlebie, and thire of Dumfries, consisting of 478 Scots acres. There is a thriving young wood upon part of the lands. They are let to a substantial tenant for 60l. of rent, upon a lease which expires in eight years from Whitfunday next. They hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cess books along with other lands.

VI. The Lands of GREENGATE-HOUSE, lying in the said parish of Middlebie. They consist of 165 acres, and are let to three good tenants upon improving leases, for 21 years from Whitfunday 1793. The rent at present is 50l. which rises progressively to 58l. They hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cess books along with other lands.

VII. The Lands of DOGSTACKS, lying in the said parish of Middlebie, consisting of 43 Scots acres, let upon an improving lease, for 21 years from Whitfunday 1793. The present rent is 16l. which rises progressively to 21l. These lands hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cess books along with other lands.

VIII. The Burrow Roads of STAPLEGORDON, lying in the parish of Langholm, and within two miles of the thriving town of Langholm. They consist of 26 Scots acres, and will be out of lease at Whitfunday next. They are at present let only for 7l. but the land being of good quality, and the rent not having been raised for many years, a very considerable additional rent may be expected. They hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cess books along with other lands.

The whole of these lands are remarkably low rented, and the public burdens affecting them are inconsiderable.

The lands will be shewn by the different tenants, and for further particulars, application may be made to Mr William Stewart, at Hillside, near Lockerbie—Mr Keith, accountant in Edinburgh—or Mr Crauford Tait, W. S. Edinburgh.

The articles of roup, title-deeds, and plans of the lands, will be shewn upon applying to Mr Keith or Mr Tait—to either of whom, or to Mr Stewart, private offers may be made prior to the day of sale.